



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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August 23, 2001

Earl Scales, Treasurer  
Democratic Executive Committee  
of Florida  
517 N. Calhoun Street, Box 1758  
Tallahassee, FL 32302

Identification Number: C00005561

Reference: Amended October Quarterly (7/1/00-9/30/00), received 5/4/01 and  
Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/00-10/18/00), received 6/6/01

Dear Mr. Scales:

This letter is to inform you that as of August 22, 2001 the Commission has not received your response to our requests for additional information dated August 1, 2001. These notices request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to these requests (copies enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by September 12, 2001. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Andrew Dodson on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson  
Assistant Staff Director  
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosures



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Dear Mr. Scales:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a contribution(s) from an organization(s) which is not a political committee registered with the Commission. In order for your committee to accept contributions from unregistered organizations into accounts used to influence federal elections, your committee should take steps to insure that the contributor(s) used permissible funds to make the contribution(s) to avoid violating 2 U.S.C. §§441a(f) and 441b or 11 CFR §102.5(b). Under 11 CFR §102.5(b), organizations which are not political committees under the Act and choose to contribute to federal committees must either: 1) establish a separate account which contains only those funds permitted under the Act, or 2) demonstrate through a reasonable accounting method that the organization has received sufficient funds subject to the limitations and prohibitions in order to make the contribution.

If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. In addition, please clarify whether the contribution(s) received from the referenced organization(s) is permissible. To the extent that your committee has received impermissible funds, the Commission recommends that you transfer the impermissible funds to an account not used to

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influence federal elections or refund the impermissible amount(s) to the donor(s) in accordance with 11 CFR §103.3(b). In order to protect the donor's interests, the Commission recommends that you inform the contributor(s) in writing to provide the donor(s) with the option of receiving a refund or granting written authorization for a transfer to another account.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or refund. Should you choose to transfer-out or refund the contribution(s), the Commission will presume the funds were impermissible if no statement from your committee provides information to the contrary. Transfers-out and refunds should be disclosed on a Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of prohibited contributions, prompt action by your committee in transferring-out or refunding the amounts will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule A of your report discloses receipts totaling \$96,000 from America Women Vote 2000, which is a joint fundraising committee affiliated with your committee. However, the sum of the entries itemized on memo Schedules A total only \$15,000. Schedule A of your report also discloses receipts totaling \$56,000 from Florida Women Vote 2000, which is a joint fundraising committee affiliated with your committee. However, the sum of the entries itemized on memo Schedules A total only \$41,500.

Please be advised that a memo Schedule A must be provided to itemize your committee's share of the gross contributions received through the joint fundraiser. The memo schedule should itemize each individual who has contributed an aggregate in excess of \$200 during a calendar year, and provide the amount of the unitemized contributions received. In addition, the memo schedule should itemize your committee's share of all contributions from political committees, regardless of amount. 11 CFR §102(c)(8)(i)(B). Please clarify this discrepancy.

-Schedule A, supporting lines 11(a)(i) and 11(c) of your report discloses aggregate year-to-date total(s) for contributions received from individuals and political committees which appear to be incorrect. Please amend your report to provide the correct aggregate year-to-date total(s).

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days

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of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrew J. Dodson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Andrew J. Dodson  
Assistant Branch Chief,  
Party/Non-Party Branch  
Reports Analysis Division

## SCHEDULE A

## ITEMIZED RECEIPTS

Use separate schedule(s)  
for each category of the  
Detailed Summary PagePAGE 1 OF 2  
FOR LINE NUMBER 11(c)

## Contributions From Other Political Committees (such as PACs)

Any information copied from such Reports and Statements may not be sold or used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.

NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)  
Democratic Executive Committee of Florida

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|---|---|---|---|
| Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code<br>20th District Florida Fed<br>P.O. Box 816621<br>Hollywood, FL 33081                | Name of Employer<br>20th District Florida Federal PAC                     | Date (month,<br>day, year)<br>10/16/00            | Amount of Each<br>Receipt this Period<br>\$5,000.00                 |
| Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):   | Occupation<br>PAC<br>Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 6.00                       |   |   |
| Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code<br>Air Line Pilots Associati<br>1625 Massachusetts Avenue, NW<br>Washington, DC 20036 | Name of Employer<br>Air Line Pilots Association - PAC<br>(ALPA-PAC)       | Date (month,<br>day, year)<br>10/5/00             | Amount of Each<br>Receipt this Period<br>\$5,000.00                 |
| Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):   | Occupation<br>PAC<br>Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 0.00                       |   |   |
| Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code<br>America Women Vote 2000!<br>805 15th NW, Suite 400<br>Washington, DC 20005-0000 US | Name of Employer<br>America Women Vote 2000!                              | Date (month,<br>day, year)<br>10/4/00<br>10/18/00 | Amount of Each<br>Receipt this Period<br>\$70,000.00<br>\$26,000.00 |
| Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):   | Occupation<br>PAC<br>Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 0.00                       |   |   |
| Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code<br>America's Promise<br>134 Lucerne Blvd.<br>Cherry Hill, NJ 08003-0000               | Name of Employer<br>America's Promise                                     | Date (month,<br>day, year)<br>10/18/00            | Amount of Each<br>Receipt this Period<br>\$5,000.00                 |
| Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):   | Occupation<br>PAC<br>Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 0.00                       |   |   |
| Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code<br>American Federation of Te<br>555 New Jersey Avenue, NW<br>Washington, DC 20001     | Name of Employer<br>American Federation of Teachers<br>Committee of Polit | Date (month,<br>day, year)<br>10/5/00             | Amount of Each<br>Receipt this Period<br>\$5,000.00                 |
| Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):   | Occupation<br>PAC<br>Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 0.00                       |   |   |
| Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code<br>DASH PAC<br>424 C Street, NE<br>Washington, DC 20002                               | Name of Employer<br>DASH PAC  | Date (month,<br>day, year)<br>10/5/00             | Amount of Each<br>Receipt this Period<br>\$5,000.00                 |
| Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):   | Occupation<br>PAC<br>Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 0.00                       |   |   |
| Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code<br>International Association<br>1750 New York Ave. N.W.<br>Washington, DC 20006-0000  | Name of Employer<br>International Association of Fire<br>Fighters         | Date (month,<br>day, year)<br>10/16/00            | Amount of Each<br>Receipt this Period<br>\$5,000.00                 |
| Receipt For: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):   | Occupation<br>PAC<br>Aggregate Year-to-Date \$ 0.00                       |   |   |
| SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (optional)   |   |   | \$ 126,000.00   |
| TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only)   |   |   |   |

